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## STEEL AND COKE WAGES.

In a study of the history of the advances in the wages of the United States, the steel industry has been the only one that has been upward, not downward.

There have been temporary adjustments at individual plants to meet local conditions, but the general advance in the steel industry has been upward.

Applied to the Conneltsville coke region the same rule is found to hold good. The region has been beneficiary of all advances in the wages of steel workers, either directly through decreases in the wages of coke workers or indirectly through an upward trend in coke prices.

The iron and steel market recovery of 1909 was followed by a general wage advance in 1910.

The new coke wage of that year went into effect in January followed by a new steel wage in May.

The depression of 1911 was followed by a reduction in wages either in steel or coke and on April 1, 1912, a new and advanced coke wage was announced.

With individual plant reductions which were later restored, this wage remained in force until now. On February 1, 1913, a second general advance in steel wages was made which was in steel wages made which with the most recently announced constitutes three important and material increases since the panic days of 1907.

In an analysis of the advances made in steel workers wages in 1910, 1913 and in the American Metal Market, it is found that the total increase during the six years from 1909 to 1915 approximated 47%, and observes that "there has been no such advance in the cost of living in that period. Neither has there been any material advance in the standard of living during that time in iron and steel labor, except the great improvement that has been effected by welfare work, all at the expense of the employers and not coming out of the wages at all."

This authority on the iron and steel industry further finds conditions therein strikingly analogous to those in the coke industry. The last to come have been men from the Italian states. For several years there has been room for doubting whether the supply of labor would keep up. Some of the sons of those who work in the industry seek the same employment as their fathers, but more in the iron and steel industry in the workmen born in the United States a father with another vocation. The war has resolved the doubt into a certainty, unless, which is improbable, the war will be followed by large emigration to the United States.

A shortage in population of the United States of about one million has already accumulated, that being the number by which the population has failed to increase as compared with the increase that would have occurred had the movement of persons into and out of the country continued at the rate that obtained for two years preceding the war.

The final illness of Dr. J. S. Van Vorhis of Bellefonte calls to mind that he is one of Fayette county's historic men. He was a member of the first Republican National Convention in 1860 and has been a Republican ever since, at that consistently so. In the old days when the Republican party organization of Fayette county was a work of loving loyalty without any hope of reward, Doctor Van Vorhis was conspicuous in it. He was a physician, a statesman and an author, and he excelled in all.

The western irrigation dams are becoming disastrous flood centers.

"Senator William E. Crow has always contended that he was against the repeal of the Full Crew bill. His actions in the session were designed to strengthen that position," says our very veracious Democratic Correspondent; the Conneltsville News. They certainly are, especially his action in voting against the bill.

Woman was made for man's express company, but the Adams Express Company by divorcing itself the third time from Adams, President would indicate that this express match was not expressly made.

The pulpit pounder is most dangerous to himself. "Twice better that he break a bad habit and thereby cease breaking anything else."

Connellsville society should go in for skating. There is a scarcity of ice, but that doesn't seem to make any difference if one has a handsome skating costume and a bagful of skates to carry.

Our good weather has held out remarkably well, but we cannot hope to escape the wild western conditions. We will hope that they may be somewhat tempered when they reach us.

It was Methodist Day at the Talcott yesterday. The work was not so strictly by rules as it was yesterday. That's the difference between the Presbyterians and the Methodists.

The Conneltsville Exposition promises to be right up to the minute, and worth coming hours to see.

People who persist in trying to board freight trains passing through the city are fairly open to the suspicion of being of unsound mind and desiring to commit suicide.

## Looking Backward.

News of the Past Columns from the Files of The Courier.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 1886.

The coke strike develops into a test of endurance. The miners decline to accept arbitration, and the operators with a few exceptions stand out against an advance in wages.

W. J. Rainey, the Percy Mining Company and J. W. Moore grant the advance and their men return to work. Intimidation of workers at the idle plants continues and a large force of deputy sheriffs is kept busy.

The Austro-Hungarians being the leading fomenters of trouble Max Schumburg, consul at Pittsburgh, visits the region to hear the complaints of the striking men. These are stated to be a demand for higher wages, abolition of the "black-man" stores and the double system and other changes in pit regulations. Consul Schumburg writes to H. C. Frick asking him to come to the region to hear the grievances of his employees. This is declined and the consul is advised that "so long as our former employees continue to destroy property and maintain a hostile attitude, they have no claim for consideration." Mass meetings continue to be held. Peter Wise, Mike Diamond, William Mullon, Richard Davis and A. E. Downs being the principal speakers.

A. A. Welherel and Miss Emma Smith are quietly married at Dawson. The local lodge of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen is initiated.

Police gather David Slick, Charles Lindley and Charles Williams in the net when they find a gambling place on Arch street between Pittsburgh street and Grape alley, and believe they have located another resort above Alexander's saloon in the Rensselaer building on Main street.

Appeal is made to Congress for funds to slackwater the Yough.

John B. Byrne is sent to Europe by the National Labor Bureau to gather labor statistics in England, Ireland and Scotland.

Produce markets report prices as follows: Apples, bushel, 80; apple butter, gallon, 80; butter, pound, 25; candles, pound, 18; corn, bushel, 1.00; dried apples, pound, 80; eggs, dozen, 18; brown sugar, pound, 30; refined sugar, 100; wheat, bushel, 1.00; corn, 60; oats, 50.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 1886.

Detailed report of the coke trade for the week ending January 27, shows a total of 17,547 tons in the region, of which 14,386 are in blast and 3,161 are in the coke industry. A decrease of 6,700 tons over the previous week.

Shipments for the week aggregated 2,770 cars, consisted as follows: To Pittsburgh, 1,565 cars; to points west, 1,205 cars; to points east, 1,340 cars; a decrease of 435 cars from the previous week.

The rough, primary election results in the choice of J. L. Kendall, J. N. Williams, Lawrence Donegan and O. H. Merchant as Republican candidates for county, to be opposed by Michael Hurley, Frank E. Markell, Clair Stillwagon and R. Macetta, Democrats.

The colored voters of the county hold a convention in New Haven and appoint a committee to confer with the Republican party leaders "as to the colored vote" may become an interesting factor in the Republican party.

The Wethers' business block, corner Main and Pittsburgh streets destroyed by fire, involving a loss of \$30,000. Council passed a resolution authorizing the arrest of Edward Beck and the destruction of the block in mining coal from under Walnut alley, after having been fairly warned to stop operations. Arrest followed and Squire McComb held Beck in \$500 bail for court.

Movement to secure free mail delivery started.

John K. Cowan, a dark horse, is elected president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company.

A force of 125 men on the South Conneltsville improvements make splendid showing.

Patrick Adams buys two lots on Elm street of Mrs. Hyatt for \$1,100.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1906.

Detailed report of the coke trade for the week ending January 27, shows 23,513 tons in the region, of which 22,192 are in blast, and 1,321 tons, with an estimated production of 23,001 tons.

Shipments for the week aggregated 12,203 cars, consisted as follows: To Pittsburgh, 4,216 cars; to points west, 7,987 cars; to points east, 2,000 cars. The coke trade is weak, demand inactive and prices declining.

A summary of the reported coal and transportation during 1905 shows that Fayette county people participated, as buyers or sellers, in sales aggregating almost \$20,000,000.

J. B. Kurtz defeated J. L. Evans for the Republican nomination for burgess by 123 votes. D. B. Portinon as Citizens' candidate cuts small figure in the contest. A. D. Robinson receives the Democratic nomination. Small vote is polled.

Peter Rutsek offers an elaborate banquet to the officers and directors of the Conneltsville Building & Loan Association.

W. H. Rogers resigns as superintendent of the Davidson coke works after continuation service of 38 years. He is succeeded by R. G. Beardsley.

P. B. Markell purchases 10 lots on Talcott road from Mrs. Jean H. Davidson for approximately \$1,000 each.

J. E. Insley celebrates McKinley's birthday by a dinner to a large number of his friends.

H. M. Kephart, as administrator of the estate of Benjamin Smith, made defendant in a suit brought by D. H. Hoover to recover \$1,000 on a promissory note given by Mrs. Smith. Mrs. Belle Hood Hyatt, wife of Dr. L. S. Hyatt, dies after a lingering illness.

A. B. Kurtz, the Main street jeweler, secures a patent on a nose supporter.

The real estate of the late William A. Hogg in the borough is bought by L. P. Kuth for \$20,000.



## Booms.

By GEORGE FITCH, Author of "At Good Old Slawh."

A boom, according to the dictionary, is a number of things, among which is a noisy noise.

Some booms of this sort are produced by cannon, and are exceedingly hard on the ears. Others are produced by admiring friends, and are terribly debilitating to the pocketbook.

When a politician becomes afflicted with a boom, it must be given attention at once. A very small boom, the size of a man's hand, on the inside of a newspaper, may grow in a single week to an entire household, and with a campaign manager, a barrel and many other distressing complications.

Booms are usually started by devoted friends for the purpose of making a man President, or Senator, or Congressman, or Legislator, or County Clerk, or Alderman, or Poundmaster. A man who is so horticultural at all can be out in ten minutes with a bumper crop of booms. Along in May or June, however, it takes a mighty skillful ear to notice the boom along and protect it from frost. Booms are very susceptible to frost and can be killed and freeze to death while its owner is going to the polls.

The longest lived boom is the presidential boom. These prey upon the favorite sons of the various states and may last as long as twenty years, depending a vast amount of fertilizing and pruning in the meantime. A presidential boom may be killed down to the roots in half a dozen conventions, only to shoot suddenly forth two years later and bloom as if nothing had happened.

Vice presidential booms are of two sorts—those started with a view to entering some prominent man in the Vice Presidency and those which attempt to lobotomize an unimportant man into the same position. Chas. W. Fairbanks and James S. Sherman were successfully lobotomized by the first method, but he backlashed in the case of T. Roosevelt. By the latter method, social and political debts can be paid and it has now become the custom for a newspaper to mention a man for the Vice Presidency whenever he pays his subscription two years in advance.

## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS.

Lost.

LOST IN DAWSON, DECEMBER 29, pair of glasses in case. Name on case, Dr. C. W. McKee, Scotland. Finder please leave with REV. FERNELL. 29Jan16

Notice.

NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE Conneltsville Building & Loan Association for the election of officers and directors will be held in the Directors Room of the Citizens National Bank, Monday evening, January 31, at 7:30 o'clock. 29Jan16

## Classified Advertisements.

Wanted.

WANTED—YOUTH BARBERING business. LUTHER. 29Jan16

WANTED—DISHWASHERS and chambermaids at YOUGH HOUSE. 29Jan16

WANTED—FOUR MACHINISTS, CONNELLSVILLE MACHINE CO. 18Jan16

WANTED—YOUR WATCH REPAIRING. I. W. MYERS, watch repairer, 1100-10th. 29Jan16

WANTED—EXPERIENCED GAIL for general housework. Apply 922 W. 9th avenue after 7 o'clock in the evening. 29Jan16

WANTED—ROOMERS and BOARDERS. Apply to Mrs. A. R. MYERS, 207 East Patterson avenue. 29Jan16

WANTED—2 SKILLED BOILER makers. Apply at once, CONNELLSVILLE IRON WORKS, West 8th, Conneltsville, Pa. 29Jan16

WANTED—CLERK FOR LUMBER office. One with knowledge of bookkeeping, penmanship, etc. Apply to J. H. PALMER, "CLERK," The Courier Office. 29Jan16

WANTED—MEN WHO DESIRE to earn over \$125.00 per month, write me today for position as salesman, every opportunity for advancement. CENTRAL PETROLEUM CO., Cleveland, O. 29Jan16

WANTED—FOURTYNINE DAIRY men and farmers, we have a limited amount of good acreages, also cheap, for sale. Apply to J. B. PALMER, A. OVERHOFF & COMPANY, Broad Ford, Pa. 29Jan16

WANTED—AGENTS—MAKE \$5,000 this year by your own home, independent of any other business, at home or traveling. Write B. M. BELTMAN, Sales Agent, 2200 Third St., Cincinnati, O. 29Jan16

WANTED—QUICK BUYER. FINE Ohio farm for sale, contains 223 acres, 12 miles from town, and main Penn. and W. and L. E. R. R. All good buildings for description and price. Write Mrs. J. E. PALMER, New Philadelphia, O., 820 1/2 Fair St. 29Jan16

WANTED—SALESMEN—WE WANT a live salesman to sell the fastest selling site to the market. Many excellent and superior features. Good proposition for local man or traveler. Live wires only. Address nearest office, NAPPANEE LUMBER & MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Nappanee, Indiana. Williamsport, Pa. 29Jan16

For Rent.

FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS; 1009 SCAMORSE ST. 29Jan16

FOR RENT—THREE ROOMS LALU convenience; 612 E. MURPHY AVE. 29Jan16

FOR RENT—TWO FIVE-ROOM apartments in the Smith Office Building. Apply, Florence Smith. 29Jan16

FOR RENT—FIVE ROOM COTTAGE, all modern conveniences. Inquire Mrs. South Pittsburgh St. 29Jan16

FOR RENT—ONE MODERN SIX room house and bath. Rent \$18.00. Inquire WELCHER'S PLUMBING SHOP, 20th Street. 29Jan16

FOR RENT—AT ONCE IN THE Smith Office Building, two large store rooms. An exceptionally fine location, and a great opportunity for some one to start in business. Inquire Florence Smith. 29Jan16

For Sale.

FOR SALE—30-ACRE FARM, FINE land, situated two miles from a good market and large milk condensing plant. New home and good barn good spring, convenient to school and church. MARTHA B. MORLEDGE, Mineerva, O. 29Jan16

For Sale.

FOR SALE—EIGHT ROOM HOUSE, all conveniences, in good condition; on corner lot. Address O. E. C. care Courier. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—OR TRADE—ONE good fresh cow; also a cow that will be fresh soon. HARRY HETZEL, West Side. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—SOUTH CONNELLSVILLE, Pa. Convenient, cheap, easy terms. Inquire at THE COURIER OFFICE. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—AT ACRE ADAMS county buildings; fruit; \$2,300; \$150 yearly. Write C. W. Wilson, 1717 Oliver Building, Pittsburgh, Pa. Telephone 3072 Grant. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—DEEP WELL PUMP, Buys-Porter make; in good condition. Write C. W. Wilson, 1717 Oliver Building, Pittsburgh, Pa. Telephone 3072 Grant. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—EXCEPTIONAL OPPORTUNITY to buy cars taken in exchange. Light delivery wagons and pleasure cars, shown up. SCOTTSDALE AUTO CO., Scottsdale, Pa. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—VIRGINIA FARMS, ANY size, splendid, colonial estates, exceeding low prices. Large timber and ore properties, \$4 an acre, up. W. T. BAILEY, Bedford, Va. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—IF YOU ARE LOOKING for a Lebanon county, Pennsylvania farm, send for big farm list, also photos. Address: H. C. WATERS, Real Estate Promoter, 340 N. 3rd St., Lebanon, Pa. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—FARM—30 ACRES, 10-room house, two good barns, state roofs, granary, chicken house, and land; water in house and barn; soil cheap. TAYLOR BLANKIN, owner, Conneltsville, Pa. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—FARM OF 101 ACRES, with good trees, in Armstrong County, Pennsylvania; underlaid with coal; will sell immediately at a low price, including mineral and gas; bargain to quick buyer. J. B. TRIPLETON, Tionn, Pa. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—FARM—18 ACRES, large house, barn, orchard, pond; adapted for general farming, dairying, sheep raising. Range containing 200 acres adjoining. Address E. O. Box 615, Hastings on Hudson, N. Y. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—FARM OF 41 ACRES, in Sharp township, Locking County, Ohio; located 1 1/2 miles south of Union, Purchase and in the Union Farming Oil field; also 200 acre corn farm in Adams County, O. Cheap. HAMILTON BROTHERS, Bellefonte, Ohio. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—100 ACRE FARM, 3 room house, bank barn, abundance of fruit, best of spring water, 15 minutes drive to good market. Underlaid with five cent vein of Freepoint coal in the for \$1000 per acre. E. P. DAVITT, Brennan Building, Bell Phone 06-R, Scottsdale, Penna. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—STODDARD DAYTON five passenger touring car in excellent condition; completely equipped. Hartford shock absorbers. Dependable rims with two extra tires. Price good tires and tubes. Prestolite tank. Better than a cheap new car and can be bought at a very attractive price. Call 21-3 or see FLEET BROS. & CO., Mount Pleasant, Pa. 29Jan16

FOR SALE—FARM, 82 ACRES, situated in Archer township, Adams county, Ohio, on line of Cuyahoga branch of P. H. Handle railroad, three miles from Cadiz, the county seat. About six minutes walk to State road, New ten room house with state roof, water and gas in house, new spring house, never failing spring, wagon shed, corn crib, other outbuildings. All underlaid with eight foot vein good coal, and no test yet for oil. 7 1/2 miles from the famous Miller oil field. Good plots building for Cuyahoga. For particulars, terms, etc., address J. M. MILLER, R. D. No. 1, Milledale, Ohio. 29Jan16

## Extraordinary Sale Special Events

The Union Supply Company's semi-annual clearance sale of shoes continues, but this week will wind up the clearance in the shoe department. During the balance of the month, however, we will continue clearance sales throughout the entire stocks of dry goods, furnishings for men, women and children; household goods of every description in the furniture, bedding, and house furnishing departments. It is an unusual opportunity; it is a very special event. Be sure you attend the sales during the next ten days:

## WE CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO OUR MEAT DEPARTMENTS

During the great clearance sales throughout our stores we want you to know that the meat departments are not neglected. There are even some cut prices here, but the general stock is what we want to call your attention to particularly. They consist of the choicest cuts of fresh beef, fresh poultry, a big assortment of smoked and salt meats; a great variety of fresh pork, such as loins, shoulders, spareribs, sausages and other offalls; a great assortment of smoked sausages, and other meat products; fresh eggs, butter, a big variety of cheese, pickles, preserves, apple butter, etc. It is really a pleasure to patronize a Union Supply Company meat market. The shops are attractive, the goods are high class, the prices are reasonable, courteous attention, prompt delivery. Just visit a shop and see for yourself.

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Everything cannot be told in print—but on every floor are large green signs, that proclaim by their presence thousands of additional items not mentioned in this ad.

# Free

This sale affects you individually. We urge you to come—we will not urge you to buy—it will not be necessary. The disappointed ones will be those who stay away.

Little did we think that in not quite four years our Dry Goods and Shoe Departments—taking up, as they do, two-thirds of our entire first floor—would outgrow their present space. But it is the outgrowth of accomplishment, of which the cornerstone was to give a little more or a little better for every dollar received. Day by day these departments have constantly grown in usefulness and the time has come when they must also grow in size and, for which reason, we are practically compelled to discontinue handling the men's and boys' clothing and furnishings. It may seem strange—but then an unusual store, with such certain and steady growth like ours—requires unusual business methods. Not necessary to dwell upon what we have accomplished in the past, but we would be narrow, indeed, if we failed to acknowledge that without your loyal support, our best endeavors would have been wholly barren of success. So we will show our appreciation of your patronage by the unusualness of these expansion sale offerings. We will look for you tomorrow.

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In Patent or Blucher styles, absolutely all solid leather, \$2.50. Size, Price... **\$1.95**

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Men's Outing Shoes, made of buck or tan Elkskin, all leather... **\$1.59**

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Men's good quality Working Shoes, tan or black, \$2.50. Size, Price... **\$1.98**

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